

OCA 3387-88

**EXPLANATION OF COHEN AMENDMENTS I AND II TO S. 2852, THE  
OMNIBUS ANTI-SUBSTANCE ABUSE ACT OF 1988**

**AMENDMENT I:** This amendment changes Sec. 1006(a)(4) of the Act, which makes the so-called Drug Czar a permanent member of the National Security Council (NSC), to make the Director's role on the NSC comparable to that of the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, who attends and participates in meetings of the NSC in the role of principal military adviser to the NSC. This amendment provides that the Director shall attend and participate in meetings of the NSC in his role as principal adviser to the NSC on national drug control policy.

**AMENDMENT II:** This amendment changes subsection 1006(a)(5) of the Act, which places the Director of the Office of Drug Control (the Drug Czar) on Level I of the Executive Schedule, the Deputy Directors on Level III and the Associate Director on Level IV, to place the Director on Level II, the Deputy Directors on Level IV and the Associate Director on Level V. The effect of this amendment is to place the Drug Czar on par with the Director of Central Intelligence.

**I**

**AMENDMENT TO S. 2852, THE OMNIBUS ANTI-SUBSTANCE ABUSE ACT OF 1988, BY MR. COHEN OF MAINE**

On Page 11, strike out Lines 9-16 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

(4) Section 101 of the National Security Act of 1947 is amended by redesignating subsection (f) as subsection (g) and inserting after subsection (e) the following:

"(f) The Director of the Office of Drug Control may, in his role as principal adviser to the National Security Council on national drug control policy and subject to the direction of the President, attend and participate in meetings of the National Security Council.".

## II

**AMENDMENT TO S. 2852, THE OMNIBUS ANTI-SUBSTANCE ABUSE ACT OF 1988, BY MR. COHEN OF MAINE**

On Page 11, Line 17, strike out "Section 5312" and insert in lieu thereof "Section 5313".

On Page 11, Line 20, strike out "Section 5314" and insert in lieu thereof "Section 5315".

On Page 12, Line 1, strike out "Section 5315" and insert in lieu thereof "Section 5316".